GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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MUSEUMS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of museums with Archaeological Survey of India and out of these the number of museums currently closed down;

(b) the reasons for closure of museums alongwith revenue loss to the Government consequent upon their closure since date of closure, till date; and

(c) by when the closed museums are likely to be reopened for general public and tourists by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) There are 35 museums which fall under the jurisdiction of the Archaeological Survey of India. All the museums are open to the public except the one at Salimgarh Fort and another at the Purana Qila.

(b) & (c) The Salimgarh Museum is closed due to security reasons while the Purana Qila Museum is closed as the work of reorganization has been taken up, which is likely to be completed within the current financial year. As neither of these two museums are ticketed, the question of revenue loss does not arise.